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N°28	Marmontels Tales	Vol 1st	N. for by	Christopher Ludwick
101	Sidney Biddulph	Vol 1st 4th	d°	John Mitchell
109	Hist'y of Louisiania	Vol 1st	d°	Edmund Physick
559	Juliette Manderville		d°	William Wistar
464	Reformed Magdalen		d°	William Crispin
576	Fool of Quality	1st	d°	Sharpe Delaney
1124	Saxis Memoirs		d°	Mr Warner
474	Universal Magazine for 1770		d°	Mr Sims

for which it does not appear that he hath yet accounted, unless a Memorandom Book kept by said Daymon, and refer'd to by the Secretary in his account, which is somehow, at present, mislaid, can throw Light upon those Articles.

The Treasurer produced his Account, from which it appears that there remains Cash in his hands £ 13.. 18.5½

Bonds . . . . . 900 .. 0 .. 0

Outstand Debts . . £ 244. 17. 7

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May 4th 1778 Robert Morris having paid the annual payment of John Bedle requests Joseph Eve may be indulged with using the said share, & engages to be answerable for any fines or payments they said Joseph Eve may incure agreable to the Laws of the Library

Signed — Robert Morris

The Directors agree to the request of Robert Morris, and he has signed his Engagement &c

At a Meeting of Directors 13th May 1778

Present

Joseph Stansbury, James Logan, Joseph Paschall, John Ranerow, Thos Parke, Thos Morris, Benjamin Coultney, B. Jones & Sam Fanson Treasurer. Sam Shaw. Josiah Reeves.

Mr Stansbury delivered a letter from Mr James Rivington of York to Mr Saml Barling, who was so obliging as to forward to him an order for Books at the Request of the Directors, on Invoice of the Amt of the same being £6.4. the Letter is as follows there insert the Letter & the Books sent for by Mr Barling was as follows

New Books sent for to New York besides those necessary to compleat our periodical Sets

Chesterfields posthumous Works
Robertson's America
Jennings Enquiry
Watsons Philip 4v. 2d
Hymnes America
Man of ye World
subsequent Volumes of Hooks Voyages if published.

Andrew Robeson was chosen Secretary for ensuing Year.
Samuel Lobdell ..... Librarian ..... &c.

The Com: that was appointed last Year to settle Francis Daymon ye late Librarian's Act. having made some progress in that Business, but not having compleated it, Josiah Hans, Paschall, Stansbury, Logan & R. Jones are ~~appointed agn.~~ requested finally to adjust the same by ye next Meeting.

An Order was drawn upon ye Treasurer in favor of Mr Sam Harrison for £6.4. amount of Books imported by him from N. York

An Order was drawn upon ye Treasurer in favor of Samuel Lobdell ye Librarian for £30 in part of his Salary.

An Order was drawn upon the Treasurer in favor of Jane Guentner for Candles am.t to £6.11.11.

Dr. Parke & R. Jones are appointed a Com: to examine & make out a Catalogue of the Books presented by ye Library by the late Wm Logan Esq. of ye City.

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At a Meeting of the Directors 21 July 1778.

Present James Logan, Joseph Paschall, Thomas Morris, Benj.ª Loxley, Samuel Shaw, Joseph Stansbury, Josiah Hewes.

The Committee appointed to settle Francis Daymon's Account, not having yet compleated that Business are further continued.

Thomas Pike having empower'd Joseph Stansbury to transfer his Share in this Library to Samuel Murdock of this City, the said Instrument of Writing is deposited in the hands of Samuel Rodell, the Librarian

Thomas West, Ezra Jones, & Thomas Howard, having applied to purchase Shares in this Library, are approved of.

At a Meeting held Augt. 19. 1778—

Present James Logan Joseph Paschall Dr. Thomas Parker Benj.ª Sam.ª Shaw Jos. Stansbury & Josiah Hewes

The Comtee appt.d to settle R Daymon's Acct. not having compleated that Business are continued—

The Secy. reports that he has rec.d the Receipt for the Shares of Ezra Jones but has not yet rec.d those of Thomas West & Thos. Howard or the Instrument of Transfer of Pike's Share to Saml. Murdock nor has yet rec.d the Rect. for the Share of James Newport

Ordered that the Libr. give Notice to the several Apprizers mentioned in the Minute of Augt. 12th that they get their several Apprizements made executed & recorded by the next Meeting—

Dr. Parker The Comtee appt.d to make out a Catalogue of the Books pursuant to the Acts Wm. Logan reports that they have made some progress but not accomplished that Business—

Ashton Humphreys & Jonathan Zane applying to purchase a Share was approved of

Messrs. Logan Howard & Sandelle appt.d a Comtee to enquire & examine the Rents due the Library Company & settle what increased Rent Robt. Bell shall pay in future

Ordered that the Libr. procure all the

At a meeting held Sept. 15. 1775

Present James Logan. R. S Jones. Samuel Sansom. B. Poultney
Joseph Paschall, John Vancarrow, Joseph Stansbury, ~~Jonathan Zane~~.
Thomas Parke — — —

The Secy. reports that he has received & paid to the Treasurer's Receipt for the Quarter Money of the Shares of Peter Miller Matthew Duncan Thomas Howell J. Redman Mark Famum Thomas Pike Benjamin Town & Sillidan Cook

The Committee on F. Daymon's business having almost completed it are continued

The Librarian has not yet waited on all the Assignees agreable to the Minute of 19 Aug't last, but will give his attention to the remainder

The Committee appointed to make out the Catalogue of Books presented by the late Mr Logan reports they have not yet completed it

The Committee appointed to settle the Rent with Robert Bell report that they waited on him & that he promised to pay up the arrears due to the Company which he has not yet performed but that they have not yet fixed the increased Rent he shall pay in future

Sam'l Leacock Thomas Morgan, Richard Wells, John Burchall, John Evans, & Richard Price, Thomas Shoemaker & John Vandeeren applying for a Share in this Library, are approved of.

At a Meeting held Oct. 20. 1775

Present Josiah Howell Joseph Paschall Thomas Morris James Logan & D. Thomas Parke —

The Com'e appointed to inquire into & settle the Rents due the Lib'y report that they have rec'd Rob't Bell's Rent in full to the first of October Inst. from which he is to pay at the Rate of £10 p Annum and have the other Rents still under Consideration

D. Parke one of the Com'e for mak'g out a Catalogue of the Books presented the Lib'y by the late Mr. Logan reports that he hath employed a Sketch of a Plan but has not yet completed the same the said Committee is continued and Mr. Hamberg added ~~to the said Com'e thereto~~

The Com'e on Fermin Daymon's Business not having completed their Business are continued —

The Secy. that ~~has not paid~~ none of the Applicants for Shares mention'd in the Minute of last Meeting have applied for Certificates —

Mr Fisher & Guest

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At a Meeting 12th Novr 1778.

Present

John Nanearrow, B. Poultney, I Shew, I Morris, Parke,
James Logan, Jon Caldwall Jos: Howes & I. Sanjom Treasr
& R Jones.

The Consideration of y^{e} Rents referred to y^{e} next Meeting.

The Com: on on M^{r} Logans Books continued.

No Report being made upon Daymons Business it is continued
under y^{e} Care of y^{e} former Com^{e}.

The Secretary being unable to attend is requested to compleat
the Subscribers for the new Members by y^{e} next Meeting & also
to make out Certificates for Jonathan Meredith, William
West, Son of James, Thomas Mendenhall, William Beaver,
Joseph Bacon & Son John & Caspar Wistar, but they being Minors
their Father Richard Wistar to enter into y^{e} usual Security.

The Directors taking into Consideration y^{e} high prices of Firewood,
Candles &c agreed that y^{e} Library be opened during y^{e} Winter Season only
~~until further order~~ upon Wednesday & Saturdays from two of the until Eight P.M. of which public
Notice to be given in y^{e} News papers.

The Treasurer is requested to supply y^{e} Librarian with Money
sufficient to defray y^{e} incidental Expenses of y^{e} Library.

At a Meeting held Dec.r 8th. 1778

Present Mess.rs Howes Jones, Pauhall, Portney, Parke, Logan,
Morris & Nancarrow

The Committee appointed for settling the Rents are continued

The Committee on Mr. Logan's Books continued

The same as to the Committee for passing Day-man's Account

The Secy. reports that he has rec.d & recorded the Receipts for the purchase Money & Shares of Rich.d Wells, John Birchall, Richard Price, Thomas Shoemaker, John Sandwell, William West, Thomas Mendenhall, William Benson and Joseph Bacon but has not yet rec.d those of Abiatar Humphreys, Thomas West, James Newport, Thomas Morgan, John Evans, Jonathan Meredith, John Witt & Caspar Wistar

The present Librarian Jno.s Todd offered himself to the Directors to continue in that post & John Todd offered himself to the Directors to serve the present Librarian serves the Board approve of Mr. Todd who agrees to enter immediately on the Duties of the Post — The Books &c to be at the Risk of Mr. Todd till an Inventory & Account be taken between him & Mr. Todd & Mr. Stanley & be entered by the Latter with the Treasurer

George Roß, James Wilson, Alexander Wilcocks, Owen Biddle, Fisher Esq.r, George Clymer, Thomas Fitzsimons, Jonathan Penrose, George Ashton & George Gray are admitted Members the Board approve of them & Gray's Guest apply to be admitted

At a Meeting held Jan.y 12.th 1779

Present Mess.rs Jones Howes Pauhall Portney Shaw Parke & Logan
& Mr. Samuel Shaw

The Secretary reports that he has rec.d & recorded the Receipts of the Purchase Money & Shares of Geo. Roß, James Wilson & Owen Biddle, Fisher Esq.r & Jonathan Penrose, Joseph Carpenter, Joseph Carpenter & Thomas West for which are not rec.d those of Abiatar Humphreys, James Newport, Thomas Morgan, John Evans, Meredith & Geo. Gray, Guest & Geo. Ashton

The Com.tee for settling the Rents & Daymon's Acct. & Mr. Logan's Books cont.d some of the Directors appointed on those Com.tees beg.n out of Town

The Board agree to purchase a general Atlas & that they by Mr. Logan and an Order was drawn on the Treasurer for that Sum

The Board agree to pay Mr. Todd £100 a Year to be accounted for this Day and also to procure

John Todd the present Librarian agrees to serve as Librarian for six Months certain to be accounted from this Day at the Rate of £100 a Year & at the Expiration of that Time is also to be entitled to a Share & admitted a Member

Joseph Pauhall Benj.n Portney & Samuel Shaw are appointed a Committee with the late Librarian to compare the Catalogue with the Books in the Library & to examine & settle his Acct. & take Security of the present Librarian for the faithful Discharge of his Trust

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W. Owen Biddle presented the Company with two Tracts by the late ~~of the Map of the Middle British Colonies~~

Upon ~~the Application of a Number~~ reading the following Paper to be signed by ~~the~~ Members the Board directs the ensuing Advertisem.t to be printed in Dunlap's Paper

At a Meeting held pursuant to Notice Feb.y 6.th 1779 ~~Number present~~ a Quorum not appearing the Meeting was adjourned to this instant

At a Meeting held Feb.y 9.th 1779

Present Mess.rs Jones Hare Paschall Stanbury Poultney Parker & Pancoast ——

The Sec.y reports that he has rec.d & recorded the Receipts for the Junction money of the Shares of James Navarre John Evans George Guest George Ashton and Samuel Lovett ——

and that he has made out & recorded a Certificate to John Todd

The Com.tee on Dayton's Act are cont.d ——— Rest Com.tee cont.d ———

The Com.tee appt.d to make out a Catalogue of the Books presented by the late W. Logan report that they have compleated that Business ~~& that the Com.tee is therefore discharged & the Act thereof~~ and that the Books are ready for Inspection ~~& Application of the Trustees~~ The Trustees therefore give Notice that the Books will be open to the Applic.n of the Members

The Com.tee appt.d to examine & settle the Lib.y Acct report that they have made a considerable progress in but not compleated that Business

Acct Acct.d of John Dunlap for Printing for the Amer.n Lib.y to the Acct.d £3 — and an Acct.d of Bleam Evans to the Acct.d of £11.12 for Repairs of the Amer.n Lib.y were exhibited to the Board & Orders drawn on the Treas.r for the same ~~Order~~ in the Name of John Evans

Two Copies of Muller's Treatise on Artillery were presented the Company on by Col.o Sam.l Mifflin the Hon.ble W.m Charles Lee the Board desire their Thanks be given those Gent.n for their Donation

An Order was drawn on the Treas.r in favr of the Librarian for thirty pounds ——

The Librarian is in future to charge for the Hire of Books as follows to wit — Folios 3/9 Qu.o 2/6 Octavo 2/ & Small Books 2/ p.r Week

At a Meeting held March 9.th 1779

Present Mess.rs Jones, Hare, Poultney, Stanbury, Paschall Parker, Pancoast.

The Committee appointed to settle Dayton's Acct report that they have stated an Acct from which it appears there is a Ballance of £8..14..9 due him for which an Order was drawn on the Treasurer to be delivered him by Mess.rs ~~Dunlap~~ Paschall & Hare

The Com.tee on Rents cont.d — Com.tee appt.d to settle W.m Lobdell's Account are continued

Major Gen.l Mifflin having presented the Company with a handsome ~~Edition~~ Edition of Prescott's Collection of Voyages in 2 Vol.s Quarto The Board direct their Thanks be communicated to him in the Name & Behalf of the Company for this truly generous & valuable Donation ——

~~Mr Dunlap~~

The Board direct their Thanks be given Mr. John Dunlap for the Collection of Political Pieces entitled Baratariana presented by him to the Company — and to W.m Charles Lee Esq.r for the Pamphlet entitled Strictures on the American Revolution presented by him

Messrs Parkhale Poultney Jones & Vancouver appointed a Com.ee to superintend the Bindg. of the Pamphlets News papers & Books that may be want Repair & Number & Label such as ~~want doing~~ have been lately purchased or presented

A Catalogue of Books having been lost by Members which at the present Circumstances of Things cannot be allowed The Librarian is directed to take from such persons as have lost Books Notes for their Value to be void if the Book be replaced when the Circumstances of Affairs will permit its being done with Convenience & to let no Books be sent persons until the Notes be given

A Number of Members anxious for the Safety of the Library having mentioned their Apprehensions from the Combustibles kept in the Lower part of the House the Board appointed Mr. Morris & Mr. Lewis to apply to some of the Gentlemen who have the Management of those Affairs examining if there be a real Danger & procure a Removal of it if practicable

At a Meeting held April 13th 1779
Present Messrs Jones Stanbury Morris Poultney & Logan

A.J. M.J.
To
Benj. Wynkoop Esq. Minutes of y.e Meeting 27th April on Jani Book of Mins.

At a meeting held May 1st 1779
Present Messrs Jones Parkhale Morris Shaw Logan Nancarrow
Mr. Sampson Treas.r

The Committee appointed to settle S.r Daymon's Account Report that they presented him the Order drawn in his favor on the Librarian for £8:14:3 which he generously gave the Library

The Com.ee on Rents Lib.d August 11 continued—

The Com.ee appointed to superintend the Binding the Books &c. Report that they have sent all that want Repair to the Bookbinder

Appl.n to the Lib.n upon Information of the Librarian upon Examination of his Accounts laid in his propper time Morris for Bookbinders Fines &c. the Order mentioned in the Minutes of the last was returned & cancelled

June 8th D.r Park Messrs Poultney Parkhale Logan & Shaw present

At a Meeting of Directors of the Company on the Eighth Day of May 1781 Present: Messrs Parke, Hewes, Morris, Poultney, Parshall, Nancarrow & Lewis with the Treasurer

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The following Directors met

Josiah Hewes
James Logan
Thomas Parke
John Noncarro
Joseph Paschall
Robert S Jones
Benjamin Poultney
Thomas Morris
&
Mordecai Lewis

Robert Bell attended by direction of the Committee appointed at our last Meeting and the Board settled the Rent due from him amounting to £37. 13. 3 Specie the 1. Inst. which he is to produce Rect. for & to be paid on or before 24/3

Decemr 12. 1780

The following Directors met

Josiah Hewes
James Logan
Thomas Parke
Joseph Paschall
Benjamin Poultney
Thomas Morris
&
Mordecai Lewis

8 Degrees
8 Degrees

Thomas Morris & Thomas Parke who were appointed at our last Meeting to wait on the Committee of the Carpenters Company, report that they did so and gave an Order on the Treasurer in their Favour for Fifteen Pounds Specie, on account which they have Reason to expect will be considered as a discharge for half a Year's Rent

The Librarian informed the Directors that Isaac Briggs a Lad of promising Genius desired to assist him for the Opportunity it would afford him of Improvement from the Use of the Books the Board being very willing to give him every Encouragement do chearfully comply with his Request

It being represented to the Board that C. Shyrer & Co. are about publishing an Edition of Cullen's First Lines of the Practice of Physic Joseph Paschall is requested to subscribe for a Sett for the Use of the Library

Josiah Hewes and Joseph Paschall are appointed a Committee to settle the Rents due to the Company, and the Board agreeing that to raise Robert Bells Rent to £150 Specie & Annum, Mess. Genl. are desired to give him the proper Notice

Care of the Committee

Messrs Parkhale Poultry Jones & Vancouver appointed to
~~to oversee~~ superintend the Binding of the Pamphlets News papers
& Books that may be ~~want~~ Repair & Number & Label such as
~~are not bound~~ have been lately purchased or presented

~~A Catalogue of Books having been lost by Members & which at the~~
~~time of their Joining the Club replaced~~ The Librarian is
~~directed~~ to take from each person as have lost Books Notes for their
Value to be ~~refunded~~ void if the Book be replaced when the Committee
of Affairs will permit it being done with Convenience & to the Book
to such persons until the Notes be given

A Number of Members anxious for the Safety of the Library having
mentioned their Apprehensions from the Combustibles kept in the Lower
part of the Hall the Board appointed Mr Bacon to apply to some
Insurance Office to have the Management thereof & Mr Jones examine if

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The following Directors met

Josiah Hewes — Robert S Jones
James Logan — Benjamin Poultney
Thomas Parke — Thomas Morris
John Nancarro — &
Joseph Paschall — Mordecai Lewis

Robert Bell attended by direction of the Committee appointed at our last Meeting and the Board settled the Rent due from him amounting to £37. 13. 3 Specie the 1. Inst. which he agrees which is allowed this to be produced Rec.d for Taxes he paid vizt. 24/3 to pay in a few days to our Treasurer — he now takes the House for one Year at the rate of Sixty five Pounds Specie p Annum, to commence the first of this Month — the Rent to be paid every six Months —

Joseph Paschall reports that he subscribed as directed for a set of Cullens First Lines of the practice of Physic

Paschall & Hewes not having finish'd the Business yet the Rents are continued on that Service

At a meeting of the Directors 13th Feby. 1781.

Present Rob.t S. Jones — Thomas Parke
Josiah Hewes — Mordecai Lewis
Joseph Paschall — & Thomas Morris.
Jn.a Nancarrow

The Treasurer who was also present informed us that Robert Bell has pd his Arrearages of Rent agreable to the Minute of last month, being £36: 9: 3.

David Evans who holds a Lot on Rent under the Library Company, representing to the board that he hath suffered by receiving his Rents in a depreciated Currency & desiring some allowance in the Rent due to the Company, amounting by Contract to £24 Specie being for 4 Years ending 1.st Inst. last mo. The Directors on considering the Ca agree to receive £20 in full to that Time.

The other Matters respecting Rents are continued under Care of the Committee formerly appointed.

Doctor Robt Bass attended with a Transfer of George Morgan's Share in the books & Effects of the Compy. to him, & desires the Concurrence of the Board thereunto which is agreed to.

Doctor Robert Bass attended with a Transfer to him of one of two Shares which George Morgan lately held in the Books & Effects of the Co., & desires the Concurrence of the Board therewith, which is agreed to.

Joseph Parchall produced an Account for sundry Iron-mongery furnished the use of the Compahy in the Year 1774 amounting to £5:11:10. which the Treasurer for which an Order was drawn on the Treasurer.

At a Meeting of the Directors March 13. 1781

Present James Logan — John Nonemaker
Joseph Parchall — Doct. Parke
Robt S. Jones — Mordecai Lewis

who not making a full Board, no Business was done

At a Meeting of the Directors 10 April 1781

Present Thomas Morris — John Nonemaker
Benjamin Poultney — Robert S Jones
Josiah Hewes — &
Joseph Parchall — Mordecai Lewis
James Logan — & Sam. Sansom Treas.

Josiah Hewes & Jos. Parchall report that they have informed David Evans of the Determination of the Board on 13. Feb. which he is satisfied with & promises Payment agreeable thereto — The Committee on Rents are continued

The following Persons request to transfer their Shares — Isaac Hughes to Thos Mulgrave. & James Smith junr. of Burlington to Sam. Lunden. & John Milnor & Robert McKnight — which the Board agree to, any Arrearages that may be due being discharged as usual —

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Proceedings of the Board to ... 1781 continued

Application was also made by a Board to ... Master for Leave to allow a Transfer, per Stock formerly belonging to Lot from Jacob Smith of Burlington to ... which was granted by the Board of the Author Ezra with Certificate &c. Ordered by Land with Certificate &c. Ordered by Land with certain Papers relative to the Baptists" presented to the Company by Isaac Backus the Author whom the Board request to present their Thanks. — Benj. Pontaney also Ezra Jones presented the Company with an Abridgment which Benj. Pontaney presented. Mr. Pontaney is requested to write a Letter of Thanks for the Abridgment —

Robert S. Jones presented the Co. in the Behalf of the Author with "A History of New England with particular Reference to the Baptists," by Isaac Backus, and Benj. Benj. Pontaney in Behalf of Ezra Jones with an Abridgment — Mess. Jones & Pontaney are requested to return those Gentlemen with the Thanks of the Board for their kind Present.

Joseph Parchall & John Nancarrow are appointed a Committee to settle the Accounts of the Treasurer & Librarian and Josiah Hewes & Rob. S. Jones to settle with the Secretary and report at our next Meeting which is agreed to be on the 1. of May —

At a meeting of the Directors 4th May 1781. Present.

Josiah Hewes	Benjamin Pontney	Tho. Parke
Rob. Jones	Mordecai Lewis	Tho. Morris
Joseph Parchall	Jn. Nancarrow & the Treasurer	James Logan

Two of the three transfers desired at last meeting not being made remain for further Care, that from Isaac Hughes to Matthias Hultgren appearing to have been done in the usual Mode wants only recording to vest properly in the said Hultgren —

The Committee appointed to settle the Treas. Accot. report that on Examination they find remaining in his Hands the Sum of £117:16:7 hard money & £1416 Cont. as well appear by a State of the Accounts at the End of the Book in his hands.

Dec.

Our Secretary And.w Roberts being too much indisposed to attend the Duty of his Station on the day of Election, John Potts junior who has been spoken to on the Subject, is appointed to that Service ~~on the day of Election~~ & Josiah Hewes is requested to inform him thereof.

Townsend White, desiring a Transfer may be made of his Share in the Books & Effects of the Library Company to his Son John White, to which on Consideration the Directors agree. ~~on payment of the Sum appears if any~~ The first Volume of Cullen's first Lines of the Practice of Physick published by Steiner & Cist of this City for which the Directors lately subscribed was now produced, The Treasurer is desired to pay them the Price agreed for ~~the Copies~~, & Joseph Paschall is requested to return them the Thanks of the Board for their Kindness in presenting the Company a Volume of the same Impression.

The Librarian directed that they both be numbered, labeled & entred in the Catalogue, before they are let out.

Thomas Hutchins author of a Map & Pamphlet of a Part of North America & a Pamphlet explanatory thereof, has generously presented the Company with one of each this' Josiah Hewes who is desired to return him the Thanks of the Board therefor. The above Gentleman being desirous of having Recourse to some Books in the Library, the Librarian is directed to allow him that Liberty on giving the Security usual for Members to give, till further Order.

The Directors ~~grant~~ agree that 30/ State money be rec.d in lieu of the Price of a Bushel of wheat by which the annual Payments were last Year directed to be made, ~~being now equal to 30/ State Money~~ the Treas.r is authorized to receive that Sum in Payment for the ensuing Year if paid immediately. On a Settlem.t of the Librarians Acco.t there appears a Balance due to him of £20:17:9 hard money which the Treas.r is desired to pay, an Order therefor being now drawn on him.

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At an Election held at the Carpenters Hall on the seventh Day of May 1781 the following Gentlemen were chosen Directors viz.t

Josiah Hewes
Joseph Paschall
Thomas Morris
Thomas Parke
Mordecai Lewis
Robert St. Jones
John Nancarrow
John Kaighn
Benj.a Poultney &
Richard Wells

~~Samuel Sansom~~ Treasurer — see Election Book —

At a Meeting of the Directors on the 8th of May 1781
Present Mess.rs Hewes, Parke, Morris, Poultney, Jones, Paschall, Nancarrow, ~~& Lewis~~ & Mr. Sansom Treas.r

~~Agreeable to the Minute of the 15th of Feb.y the transfer~~
The Sec.y is desired to inspect the Book of minutes & ~~take~~ Notice of the ~~Shares Sold~~ transfers of Shares which have not been recorded —

Mr. Paschal returns not having had an opportunity of seeing Mess.rs Hyner & List to return them the Thanks of the Board —

Mr. Hewes reported that he had returned Mr. Hutchins the Thanks of the Board for his Present ~~&~~ was politely received —

~~Mr. Robeson's ill State of Health rendering~~ his incapable of ~~executing the Office of Secretary~~ John Potts Jun.r was ~~appointed to act~~ the said Office —

Andrew Robeson Esq.r having served the Company for several Years past as Secretary to their perfect Satisfaction but having requested to resign by reason of his present ill State of Health the Board agree to accept the

William Jenkins to Sarah Jenkins
Ephraim Benham to Sam.l Bispham
Zach.h Newman — to Jon.a Delworth
John Richardson to Wm. Pilton —
James Smith Junr. Jun. to Samuel Emlen
John Milnor — to Robert McKnight
Townsend White to John White not recorded —
Peter Dehaven to his Son Hugh Dehaven

Jno. Milnor
Townsend White

Transfer which the Secty is desired to record

Peter Dehaven raquests Permission to assign his Share to his Son Hugh Dehaven to which the Directors assent upon the usual Terms

John Dean presented the Library with a Book entituled the present State of London & Joseph Parkes is desired by the Directors to wait on him & return him the Thanks of the Board

At a Meeting held 14 June 1781.

present— Robt. Jones — Richard Willing
Benj.n Poultney — Thomas Parke
Thomas Morris — Mordecai Lewis
John Knight — & Saml Sansom Treas.r

John Potts junr. having removed into the Country, whereby the Office of Secretary is again vacant the Board agreed with Joseph Fawcet to serve in that Capacity ~~Election by Ballot~~ at Three Pound ~~per~~ hard money —

The late Secretary having left the following list of Transfers that are not recorded, Mr Fawcett is directed

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the same and therefore appoint John Potts Junr to the said Office

The Directors in Consideration of Mr Robesons Salary for two Years and other Services drew an Order on the Treasurer in his Favor for fifteen Pounds Specie

Mr Joseph Fawcett being appointed Librarian the Directors agreed to allow him sixty Pounds Specie for his Salary ~~including~~ p annum including keeping the Library in Order which he agrees to

William Parr Esqr having transferred his Share to John Maxwelle Nesbitt the Board agree to to the said Transfer which the Secy is desired to record

Peter Delaware requests Permission to assign his Share to his Son Hugh Delaware to which the Directors assent upon the usual Terms

John Dean presented the Library with a Book entituled the present State of London & Joseph Parkhurst is desired by the Directors to wait on him & return him the Thanks of the Board

At a Meeting held 14 June 1781.

present— Robt Tony
Benj. Poultney
Thomas Morris
John Leighs
Richard Willing
Thomas Parke
Mordecai Lewis
& Saml Sansom Treas.

John Potts junr having removed into the Country whereby the Office of Secretary is again vacant the Board agreed with Joseph Fawcett to serve in that Capacity at Election for Three Pounds hard money—

The late Secretary having left the following list of Transfers that are not recorded, Mr Fawcett is directed

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have it done.

The Treasurer reports he has paid Joseph Sawcett £20.17.9 agreable to our order of 4 May and Symmds Cit 36/ paid for an also £15 — pr the order in favour of Andrew Robeson Esqr — p last Minutes —

Townsend White having transferd his share of the Library Company to his John White the Board agree to the same, and request the Sect. to record the said Transfer —

I. Fawcett requested an order on the Treasurer for Sixpounds hard money. - a order was drawn accordingly.

At a meeting of the Directors held 14 Augt. 1781,

Present. —

Jnº. Nancarrow. Ben Poultney
Jos: Parchall Josiah Flewes. -
Thomas Parke
Thomas morris & Samd. Sansom Treas^r

The Indisporition of the Sect.^y prevented a Meeting last Mo

John Dean Presented the Company with a Book. Entitled. Mercurius Rusticus or the Countries Complaint of the barbarous Outrages committed by the Sectaries of this late flourishing Kingdom &c. — —

& Jos Parchal is desired to return him the thanks of the Members present for the same — not being aboard no. other business done. — — —

At a Meeting of the Directors 11th. Sept. 1781,

Present, Mord: Lewis. Ben Poultney. —
Richd Wells. Thomas Morris
John Kaighn
Thomas Parke.

Melchior Steiner presented the Company with two Books entitled. . . . .

At a Meeting held 9th October 1781.

present Josiah Hewes
Doct. Parke
John Kaighn
Thomas Morris
Benjamin Poultney
Joseph Paschall
&
Mordecai Lewis.

An Order was drawn on Sam[l] Sansom Treas[r] pr £3 to pay Benjamin Allison pr a Sett of Linnaeus's Systema Naturæ 4 Vols

Doct. Parke presents the Company with Carver's Travels thro the Interior Parts of North America ~~pr which he is entitled to his Thanks~~.

Application is made to transfer the Shares of the late Mark Freeman to William M.Kenzie ~~to being a~~ Minor, ~~Natural Heredity~~ ~~is required which being given~~ ~~it is granted~~ — ~~also~~ William Bradford to William Bradford jun[r]. ~~which is allowed~~ & the Share of the late William Morgan to Joseph Harper which are agreed to on the usual Terms.

Henry Osborne ~~Esq[r].~~ & Samuel Hodgdon desire to be admitted Members ~~&c~~ are approved of ~~on the usual~~ Condition

Alex[r] Moultrie Esq[r]. of S[o] Carolina having pre: sented the Comp[y] with a Scorpion & Centipes the Secretary is desired to return him the Thanks of the Board —

An Acct. was exhibited from James Reynolds amo[t] 18/9 Nutchins for Books for the Library of N[o] America pr the Treasurer — ~~&c~~

Likewise the following Orders —

One in favour of Geo. Emlen pr £30. being for Sam[l] Rhoads & Thomas Rowmaker (in behalf of the Committee of the Carp[s] Comp[y] drafts on the Board, pr £30. being the Ball[s] of Rent due for the Library Rooms to the 1st of Oct 1780 — 30

And one in favr. of Joseph Fawcett on Acct. of his Salary pr ... — 20

~~order signed by~~ ~~to draw on Hogan~~ ~~in behalf of the~~ Committee of the Carp[s] of Joseph Fawcett —

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At a Meeting held 9th October 1781.

present Josiah Hewes
Doct. Parke
John Kaighn
Thomas Morris
Benjamin Poultney
Joseph Paschall
Mordecai Lewis.

An Order was drawn on Sam[l] Sansom Treas[r] for £3 to pay Benjamin Allison for a Set of Linnaeus's Systema Naturæ 4 Vols

Doct. Parke presents the Company with Carvers Travels thro the Interior Parts of North America ~~for which he is entitled to their Thanks~~.

Application is made to transfer the Shares of the late Mark Freeman to William M.Kenzie ~~to being a Minor, & which is agreed to as requisite when being given~~ is required which being given ~~is agreed~~ allowed — also William Bradford to William Bradford jun[r]. ~~which is allowed~~ & the Share of the late William Morgan to Joseph Harper which are agreed to on the usual Terms.

Henry Osborne Esq[r]. & Samuel Hodgdon are recommended to be admitted Members ~~and~~ are approved of.

Alex[r] Moultrie Esq[r]. of S[o] Carolina having favored the Comp[y] with a Scorpion & Centipee the Secretary is directed to return him the Thanks of the Board—

An Acct. was exhibited from James Reynolds amo[t] 18/9 for lining & pasting Hutchins's Map of part of N[o] America for which an Order was drawn on the Treasurer — ~~Orders were~~ also drawn on him for £30 in favour of Godman being the Ball[e] of Rent due for the Library Room to the 1st of Oct. 1780, agreeable to an order signed by Sam[l] Rhoads & Tho[s] Shoemaker in behalf of the Committee of the Carp[s] Company — and for £20 in favour of Joseph Dawgt —

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Benj.ª Poultney
Joseph Paschall and John Kaighn are appointed a Committee to examine the Books and the State of the Library in general and are authorised to have such Books bound as want it

At a Meeting of the Directors 13 Nov.r 1781,

Present Jos: Paschall. Jn.º Nancarrow
Thomas Morris & Mordecai Lewes.
Thomas Parke

The Directors met not being sufficient to make a Board no Business was done

At a Meeting of the Directors 12.th Dec.r 1781. Present

Josiah Hewes Jn.º Nancarrow Joseph Paschall
Benj.ª Poultney Jn.º Kaighn Tho.º Parke
Tho.º Morris & Sam.l Sanborn Treas.r

The ~~Secret~~ Treas.r informs us that he has p.d the several Orders drawn on him at the Meeting in October last.

The Secretary reports that ~~the~~ Transfers are made of the Shares of Wm Bradford ~~to~~ Wm Bradford jn.r & of the late Wm Morgan to Joseph Harper, that of Mark Freeman to Wm M.Kenzie remains to be ~~done~~ compleated.

The Committee on the State of the Library are continued & Tho.s Morris is added to their Assistance.

~~Certificate for Share to Henry Osborne Hammond Haggdon are not yet executed, they are continued to be done when the Treas.r has complied with his Part~~

D.r Parke presents the Co.y with a human Heart injected for which we thank him.

Josiah Hewes is appointed to procure from the Treas.r an Acco.t of the State of the Co.y Funds & endeavour to collect what Interest &c; Rents may be due

The Treas.r is desired to furnish the Librarian with a List of those Members who have neglected their annual Payments & fines for the last or any preceding Year; it being the unani

Opinion of the Board, that no such ~~Member~~ Delinquents ought to be allowed the Use of the Books or Effects of the Comp.y until all Arrearages are paid off, & that if any ~~and Joint~~ neglect ~~in Arrears~~ to make full Payment ~~by the first Meeting~~ within 10 days after the next Election their Shares shall be forfeited agreeable to the Laws of the Company

At a meeting of the Directors 8 Jan.y 1782

Present. Thomas Morris Mordecai Lewis, Jos.h Paschall John Kaighn Richard Wells Ben.a Poultney

who not making a Board adjourned ~~agreed by the members present that a meeting~~ till ~~be held~~ tomorrow Evening at Six O.Clock of which the Secretary is desired to give Notice

At a Meeting of the Directors 9 Jan.y 1782

Present Josiah Hewes, Benjamin Poultney, Richard Wells, Thomas Parke, John Kaighn, Joseph Paschall, Thomas Morris, Mordecai Lewis and the Treasurer

~~The Treasurer Informed the Board that Certificates to Osborn & Hyndman remained unexpired~~

The Committee on the State of the Library made their Report which was as follows.

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~~Upon Enquiry~~ it is recommended to the same Committee ~~to see that the Books that are defective be put in Repair &~~ to enquire of the preceding Librarians whether they can give any Information of the Books supposed to be lost during their Times, and make Report at our next Meeting

Josiah Harris is continued on the Business of collecting Debts. —

A Letter was laid before the Board from Robert Shittall Jones ~~and~~ resigning his Seat with us in consequence of his Removal to Burlington, attended with a Present of Major Atlas Scholasticus, and ~~a Number~~ a Number of Bills of Mortality for this City ~~for several Years~~ ^ The Board ~~Company~~ request Richard Wells to convey ~~their~~ their respectful Compliments to Mr. Jones & return ~~his~~ Present ~~their~~ Thanks for his kind Presents.

Joseph Cruikshank present. The Company with ye John Griffith's Journal, which we mark hereto and ~~Mark hereto~~ Malchia ~~Marica~~ with

~~Inclosed~~

Josiah Hewes Richard Wells & Thomas Parke are ~~appointed~~ appointed a Committee to procure Books for the Use of the Library ~~and are authorized to expend~~ not exceeding One hundred & twenty Pounds ~~out of the Treasurer Hands if who is desired to pay it to them on demand~~. not exceeding the Value of one hundred & twenty Pounds.

At a Meeting of the Directors 12th Feb.y 1782.

Present. Mord.i Lewis, Josiah Hewes, Thomas Parke, Thomas Morris, Ben.i Poultney & Richard Wells Joseph Paschall, & the Treas.r. Sam.l Sanson

The members present drew an Order on the Treasurer for Forty five pounds in favour of the Carpenters Company for 1 Year & 2 Quarters Rent was drawn due the 1st Inst. last. ——

At a Meeting of the Directors 12th March 1782. Present

Josiah Hewes	Thomas Parke	John Nancarrow
Benj.a Poultney	Mordecai Lewis	John Haigh & Tho.s Morris

Josiah Hewes is continued on the Business of collecting Rents &c.a due to the Company, as is also the Committee appointed for procuring Books for the Use of the Library.

The following Transfers of Shares were proposed & agreed to, viz.t Nicholas Garrison to George Bickham & Joseph Parmon to Thomas Middleton which latter is

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laid over to next Meeting, ~~it not being clear that~~
~~his Payments have been regularly made~~ some Enquiry
appearing necessary to be made.

Wm Young makes application ~~(through Jona Fawcett)~~
~~to be allowed~~ to purchase a Share, which ~~the Directors~~
~~have no Objection to on the Usual Terms.~~ is allowed of.

Benj.a Evans & Jonathan Evans junr apply for Liberty
to make Use of the Shares of Joel Evans & Wm Evans, they
being willing to make the Payments becoming due
which is agreed to, & a minor Daughter of Charles Willing
being desirous of making Use of her Father's Share
who is absent, the Directors ~~allow~~ consent thereto, on her obtaining
the usual Security ~~to be given~~.

At a Meeting of the Directors 9th Apl. 1782.

Present Josiah Hewes, Ben. Poultney, Thomas
Morris, Thomas Parke, Mordecai Lewes,
John Nancarrow & John Kaighn

Josiah Hewes is continued on the Business of collecting
Rents &c ~~due to the Company~~ as is also the Committee
appointed for procuring Books for the use of the
Library is also continued

The Sect.y reports that the Transfer from Nich.s Garrison
to Geo: Bickham is compleated. ~~that of Jos. Morris~~
~~to Joseph Few yet remains to be done also the~~
~~application of Wm Young~~ the Transfer to Capt. Carman & Thomas
~~Riddle is continued~~

John Reidle makes application to be allow'd to
purchase a Share in the Book & Effects of the Company
which was agreed to ~~on the usual terms~~.

Election

John Nancarrow & John Kaighn are apointed a Committe to ~~settle~~ the Accounts of the Treasurer & Librarian, and report at ~~an next~~ the ensuing meeting w.h is agreed to be on the 3rd. of May next

At a meeting of the Directors May 3. 1782

Present. Mord: Lewis Jos: Paschal Ric. Wells Jn.o Nancarrow John Kaighn. Ben Poultney Thomas Parke & The Treasurer.

The Committe appointed for procuring Books report that they have done nothing ~~in that B therein drawn out of the Treasurers hands~~ according ~~pursuant to an order given them for that purpose to the Amount of Seventy five Pounds~~ Eighty.

The Comitte for settling the Treasurer's ~~Account~~ Accounts of the & Libraiian Report that there remains in the hands of the Treas.r 216.1.7 l.o money & 10 pound State and that a Ballance of 23.10.0 is yet due to the Librarian for which sum an order was drawn on the Treasurer ~~for the said sum~~

~~£~~ Eight Pounds 5/

An account was produced from Jos Cruikshank for Printing Blank notes ~~for Eight Pounds~~ & for which an order was given in his favour on the Treasurer.

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The Sec.ry Reports ~~The application from~~ that he has made out a Certificate for Sam.l Hodgson, Henry Osborne & John Rudle ~~have complied with the~~ rules of the Company and ~~paid the Each of them~~ Deposited to the Treasurer, for which Certificates, ~~he is to make out~~ which are directed to be put upon Record. ~~The Application of Henry Craig~~ & Common to ~~Indorsation~~ to be determined ~~yet remains to be done~~

an application from John Lukens for a share in the Books & Effects of the Company, ~~which~~ was agreed to on the usual Terms

~~Edward Price made application to transfer his share in the Company to Edward Bonsal~~

~~Edward~~

John Pemberton proposing to transfer his share in the Books & Effect of the Company to John Pleasants, the same is agreed to he being also on his procuring the usual security. ~~This is agreed to~~ he being a Minor

Dr. John Morris Junr requests to make over of his deceased Fathers share, ~~in his stock~~ which the Books ~~of~~ is agreed to ~~any arrearages that may be due~~

The Board taking into consideration that there is a claim on the Library Company for the Cost of sundry Books now in New-York procured by order of the Directors in 1778 it was agreed that the same ought to be discharged & an order was drawn on the Treasurer for £65.15.3 being the Value of £70 2.11 Cork Currency the Amot. thereof in favour of Dick and Wells John Kaighn & Modecai Lewis who are appointed a Comitte to remit the money

At an Election held at Carpenters Hall on the sixth day of May 1782 the following Gentlemen were chosen Directors viz.

Josiah Hewes
Joseph Paschall
Thomas Morris
Thomas Parke
Mordecai Lewis
Richard Wells
John Kaighn
Benjamin Poultney
John Nancarrow
Isaac Wharton.

Samuel Sansom Treasurer See Election Book

At a Meeting of the directors the 14 May 1782
Present, Thomas Morris, Mord: Lewis, Jos. Paschall
Jno. nancarrow Richd Wells, Benj Poultney &
Thomas parke.

The Transfer from Jos: Cannon to Thomas ~~he complying with the~~ middleton is agreed to ~~all arrears being first customary regulations~~

The Committe ~~for transcribing~~ Appointed to discharge the debt for Books agreeable to a minute of last meeting Report that the money is remitted.

Robt. Roberts Son of John Roberts of Merion Township Phila County Surveyor deceased produced an Extract of his Fathers will bequeathing him his share in Books & Effects of the Company

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an Application from Thomas Penrose for a Share in the Books & Effects of the Company ~~which~~ was agreed to on the usual terms ——

Dr Parke presented the Company with part of the Tibia (or Shin Bone) injected to prove that Bones are Vasculare. ~~&~~ & Jos. Paschall presented ~~by Jos. Paschall~~ 5 Indian ~~Heads of~~ Arrows for which the Board return them their thanks ——

Joseph Fawcett ~~being appointed~~ was elected & Secretary Librarian ~~&c~~ the Directors agreed to allow him a Salary of Sixty Pounds ~~& Am.~~ ~~for his Salary then~~ as Librarian & £6 as Secretary including keeping the Library in order. ~~& six Pounds as Sec.y to the said Company for the ensuing Year~~

The Board agree that The Hours for opening the Library from the 20th March to 20 Sept.r shall be from ~~12 to 7~~ Oclock & from the 20 Sept. to 20 mar: from 3 to 8. oclock ——

Thomas Morris, Jn.o Nancarrow, Richd. Wells & Jos: Paschall are appointed a Committee to examine the state of the Libray and report at the next meeting ——

At a meeting of the Directors 11. June 1782

Present Tho.s Morris, Jos.s Paschall Thomas Parke
Mor. Lewis John Nancarrow Isaac Wharton.
John Kaighn & Josiah Hewes with Sam.l Janson Treas.r

The Committee that were appointed at our last Meeting to examine into the State of the Library not having been able to do that Business are continued on the Service

An Application from Edward Bonsall to transfer his Share to Edward Price was agreed to. — and from John Bailey to John Shields.

The Librarian having represented ~~that~~ that there are frequent Applications from the Members to view the Curiosities the Board direct that the Library be open every Wednesday from 10 to 12 o'clock for that Purpose. when proper aplication is made ~~to the Secretary is made for the Books,~~ ~~the Board~~ ~~Papers Paid, and Books taken~~ ~~Board~~ ~~The Secretary is to keep the~~ ~~Records duly declared by the Board~~

The Secretary is desired to transcribe the Minutes into the Journals, and in future to Copy them Monthly for the Inspection of the Board — He is also ~~desired~~ to collect all the Papers and keep them under Lock & Key

~~The following Persons having~~
The annual Payments not having been made ~~for~~ on the following Shares they are

forfeited agreeable to the Laws of the Company

James alexander ..... David Kennedy
William Allen Estate ..... Abraham Lidden
Lynford Lardner
Alexander Bartram ..... Samuel Mayey
William Bright ..... William Peters
William Binghams Estate John Paschall's Estate
~~James Black~~
Richard Bond ..... Doct. Benj. Rush
Thomas Cadwalladers Estate George Ross's Estate
Isaac Damon ..... John Staggs Estate
Thomas Elton ..... John Whartons Estate
Paul Fooks Estate ..... Tho. Wharton junr. dr.
William Hopkins Estate ..... John White's Estate
Isaac Hopkins Estate ..... James Wilson Esqr.
Joshua Humphreys .....
Adam Hoops Estate .....
~~William Jones~~ .....

Josiah Hayes & John Kaighn are appointed a Committee to settle with the following Members ~~who~~ ~~have not Subscribed to the Library~~ whose Cases appear doubtful —

John Dunlap settled.
Sam. Lobdell settled
James Pearson
Henry Paschall Pearson
James Black
Benj. Franklin settled.
William Jillers settled
Benjamin Randolph settled
William Jones. forfeited.

At a meeting of the Directors 9 July 1782

Present Jos: Paschall — Mordecai Lewis
Thomas Morris — Jos: Hewes
Thomas Parke — John Kaighn
Ben: Poultney — Isaac Wharton & John Narrow

// The Committe ~~[illegible]~~ appointed to examine into the State of the Library not having done that business ~~[illegible]~~ continued. — — — — —

The Secretary Reports, that the following Transfers are recorded viz: Peter De haven to Hugh Dehaven James Smith to Sam: Emlen. John Pemberton to John Pleasants. Jon: Shoemaker to Jacob Shoemaker John Bayly to John Shields. & a Certificate to John Reedle.

The Committe appointed to settle with sundry members whose Shares appear doubtful ~~[illegible]~~ continued on that Service. — — — — —

John Morgan of Mary Land Administrator to the Estate of Lodwick Spogell requested leave to make use of the Share belonging to said Estate — which was agreed to.

~~Jon: Dilworth having purchased 2 Neumans Share at a meeting of the 8th of Aug: 1780. applied~~

Jon: Dilworth applied to make satisfaction for a Book lost by 2 Neuman whose Share in the Library he purchased see minutes of the 8th of Aug: 1780 / The Board agreed to receive what in 1774 was the Value of the Sett by which the Book belonged — & that he should replace the Volume lost ~~[illegible]~~ and ~~[illegible]~~ Lost either of them being

upon his complying with either of their Proposals ~~complied with~~ he to make use of said Share The Transfer may immediatly take place. - ———

As The Lease of the Library Apartments will expire on the first day of Jan.y next Mord: Lewis Jos. Paschall Thomas Morris ~~Tho.s Parke~~ are appointed a Committee to treat with the Carpenters Company for a renewal thereof and report at our next meeting.

At a Meeting of the Directors 20th Aug.t 1782

Present, Jos: Paschall Mord: Lewis Tho.s Morris
John Kaighn Ben: Poultney Tho.s Parke

who not being aboard adjourned to the 22.nd Inst.

At a Meeting of the Directors 22. Aug.t 1782

Present Jos.h Paschall, Thomas Morris Benj.a

The following Committees not having compleated the Services, to which they were appointed - are continued. viz

The Committee in the State of the Library -

The Committee to settle with those Members, whose Shares - appear doubtful -

And the Committee for treating with the Carpenters Company

~~This son John M Potts~~ a minor, which was agreed to ~~being a minor & giving the usual security~~. on condition he gives the usual Security

At a meeting of the Directors 9 July 1782

Present Jos: Parker Mordecai Lewis
Thomas Morris Jos: Lewis
Thomas Parke John Kaighn
Ben: Poultney Isaac Wharton & John Marcarrow

// The Committe appointed to examine into the state of the Library not having done that business is continued. — — — —

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The Committe appointed to settle with sundry members whose Shares appear doubtful

a Book lost by I Neuman

of the 8th of Aug: 1780 / The Board agreed to receive what in 1774 was the Value of the Sett to which this Book belonged - & that he should replace the Volume lost ~~the Value of said work in the Year 1774 and to replace the Vol. Lost either of them being~~

upon his complying with either of their Proposals ~~compleated with~~ he to make use of said Share the Transfer may immediatly take place. - ———

As The Lease of the Library Apartments will expire on the first day of Jan.ʸ next Mord: Lewis Jos. Paschall Thomas Morris ~~Tho. Parke~~ are appointed a Committe to treat with the Carpenters Company for a renewal thereof and report at our next meeting.

At a Meeting of the Directors 20ᵗʰ Augᵗ 1782

Present, Jos: Paschall Mord: Lewis Thoˢ Morris
John Haighn Ben: Poultney Thoˢ Parke
who not being a board adjourned to the 22ⁿᵈ Instᵗ.

At a Meeting of the Directors 22. Augᵗ. 1782

Present Josʰ. Paschall, Thomas Morris Benjᵃ.
Poultney John Haighn Isaac Wharton
Thomas Parke & Mordecai Lewis.

The Comittee ~~appointed~~ appointed to examine into the state of the Library not having done their business is continued. also the Comittee ~~to~~ to settle with sundry ~~doubtful~~ members who's cases appear doubtfull. and the Comitte for treating with the Carpenters Company, ~~arrangement~~

Joseph Potts requested to transfer his Share to his son John ~~a minor~~ a minor which was agreed to ~~being a minor he giving the usual security~~ on condition he gives the usual Security

An order was drawn on the Treas.r in favour of
Francis Baily for three Dollars for the Freeman
Journal & an order in favour of Joseph
Fawcett for Fifteen Pounds on account

At a Meeting of the Directors Sep.r 10. 1782

Present: Jos: Paschall Thos. Parke Jr.n Nancarrow
Isaac Wharton, Rich.d Wells. Thomas Morris.

who not being a board. no business was done.

Sep.r 17. 1782

An Invoice was furnished for Sundry Books
as p Minute of 3.d may last, now rec.d by Comm.e
as follows —

1782.

Here inert the Invoice — NB Apply to Richard Wells for it

Wm Poultney

The Amo.t as above being — of which £65.5.3
was paid as p aforesaid minute

The Comittee appointed to examine into the stat of
the Library reporting that they have made considerable
progress in the business is continued. —
The Committe appointed to consult upon Shares
respecting the double numbers is
continued. The committe appointed to treat with
the Carpenters Company report that they have conferred with a Committe from
said Company; and expect a final answer in behalf of the said Company in Octo.r
next. An application from Sam.l Wetherill Esq.r to the
Estate of James Young Esq.r to transfer the share of the
s.d Young to his Son Sam.l Wetherill & from Hugh Roberts
Esq.r to the Estate of Sam.l Shaw to John Blakely Wm Sitgreaves
& Benj.n Gibs to Dot Exl.rs to the State of Mark Freeman to Jn.o Sitgreaves
on the usual terms, were agreed to.

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who advanced the same
was

due to Richd. Wells

Dr. Wells
Franklin

An order was drawn on the Treas.r in favour of
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Fawcett for Fifteen Pounds on account

At a Meeting of the Directors Sep.r 10. 1782

Present: Jos.: Paschall Thos. Parke Jn.o Nancarrow
Isaac Wharton, Rich.d Wells, Thomas Morris.

who not being a board. no business was done.
adjourned to the 17.th of Sept.re

At a Meeting of the Directors Sep.r 17. 1782.

Present Jos.: Howell, Jos.: Paschall Ben.: Poultney
Jn.o Nancarrow Mord.i Lewis Isaac Wharton
Thomas Parke. Rich.d Wells,

The Comitte appointed to examine into the state of
the Library reporting that they have made considerable
progress in the business ~~is~~ continued.
The Committe ~~appointed to~~ appointed to consult proper Means
continued. The committe appointed to treat with the Carpenters Company
report that they have conferred with a Committe from
said Company; and expect a final answer in behalf of them in Octo.r
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Estate of Jam.s Young Esq.r to transfer the share of the
d.d Young to his Son Sam.l Wetherill from Hugh Roberts
Ex.r to the Estate of Sam.l Niave to John Blakely Wm Sitgreaves
& Ben.n Gibs Ex.rs to the State of Mark Fruman to Jn.o Sitgreaves
on the usual terms, were agreed to.

an application from Martha Rudolph Admx. of the Estate of Zeb: Rudolph to transfer ~~the~~ share of her late Husband to Philip Syng Physick was agreed to on the usual terms.

James Pearson made aplication for the use of the Dy aforesaid belonging to the Company ⊗ giving such security as Josiah Hewes & Jos: Paschall Esqrs shall think proper he is allowed the same on ~~his signing a Note for the Sum~~ to be return'd in one month.

At a Meeting of the Directors Octo.r 8. 1782.

Present Josiah Hewes. Jos: Paschall Richard Wells

[illegible] John Haigh. Isaac Wharton.

The following Applications to transfer certain Shares in the Library, were duly considered and agreed to by the Board, on the Parties complying with the usual Terms — viz

The Application of the Executors & the Estate of James Young dec.d to transfer the Share belonging to his Estate — to Samuel Wetherell, son of Samuel Wetherell Junr.

The Application of Hugh Roberts Esq.r & the Estate of Sam.l Neave dec.d to transfer its Share — to John Blakely —

The Ditto of Wm. Sedgwick & Benj.n Gibbs Exrs & the Estate of Mark Freeman dec.d to transfer its Share to John Sedgwick

And the ditto of Martha Rudolph Admx. of the Estate of Zeb.a Rudolph dec.d to transfer its Share to Philip Syng Physick —

An order was drawn on the Treas. in favour of
Francis Baily for three Dollars for the Freeman
Journal & An order in favour of Joseph
Fawcett for Fifteen Pounds on account

At a Meeting of the Directors Sep.r 10. 1782

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said Company; and expect a final answer in Oct.o
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Ex.r to the Estate of Sam.l Shaw to John Blakely Assignee
& Benj.n Gibs ~~to Col~~ Ex.rs to the State of Mark Fruetnan to Jn.o Sitgreaves
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An application from Martha Rudolph Admx. of the Estate of Leb: Rudolph to transfer the share of her late Husband to Philip Syng Physick was agreed to on the usual terms.

James Pearson made application for the use of the Dy. agent belonging to the Company ⊗ he is allowed the same on giving such security as Jos. Hewes & Jos. Paschall Chas. Stuart Engr. & Jos. Parker for Do. Gunners to be return'd in one month.

At a Meeting of the Directors Octo. 8. 1782.

Present Josiah Hewes. Jos: Paschall Richard Wells
Benj: Poultney. John Haigh. Isaac Wharton.
Thomas Parke.

The Committe appointed to examine into the state of the Library report that they have not compleated the same under the request to finish Service this Business but are continued by the next meeting.

The Committe appointed on doubtful Shares are continued.

The Sect[y] reports, that the transfer from the Ex[rs] of the Estate of Mark Freeman to John Sitgreaves is compleated.

The Committe appointed to confer with the Carpenters Company are requested to wait on them to receive their final Answer.

At a Meeting of the Directors 12 Novr. 1782

Present of Isaac Whaston. Benj. Poultney.
Josiah Hewes Mord: Lewis. Thomas morris.
Thomas Parke.

who not being a Board - no business could be done

At a meeting of the Directors Decr. 10. 1782

Present Thomas Parke Thomas Morris
Benj. Poultney. John Kaighn Mord: Lewis
Josiah Hewes

who not making a Board - no business can be done.

† The Librarian reports 14. Novr. last of Jno. Delworth £6.16.0 on the acct of the Books lost by Zach: Sciman & ½ for a late year's payment & fine

At a Meeting of the Directors 15 Jany. 1783.

Present Jos: Paschall Jos: Hewes Js. Whaston
Thomas Morris Ben Poultney Jr. Nathan Carow
John Kaighn Thomas Parke.

† The Comitte on the State of the library is Continued

The Committe appointed to examine into the Circumstances of those Shares which are doubtful as to the Owners is continued - Some of them being undetermined -

† The Committee appointed to confer with the Carpenters Company, report, the Substance of several Conversations, they had with some members of that Company — The Board empower the Committee to offer a Rent of Sixty pounds for the present Year —

At a Meeting of the Directors 12 Novr. 1782

Present of Isaac Wharton. Benj: Poultney.
Josiah Hewes Mordi: Lewis. Thomas Morris.
Thomas Parke.

who not being a Board - no business could be done

At a meeting of the Directors Decr 10. 1782

Present Thomas Parke Thomas Morris
Benj: Poultney. John Kaighn Mordi: Lewis
Josiah Hewes

who not making a Board - no business could be done.

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At a Meeting of the Directors 15 Jany. 1783.

Present Jos: Paschall Jos: Hewes Js. Wharton
Thomas Morris Ben Poultney Jr. Nancarrow
John Kaighn Thomas Parke.

× The Comitte on the State of the Library is Continued

The Committe appointed to examine into the Circumstances of those Shares which are doubtful is continued - some of which are undetermined - Some of them being undetermind -

× The Committe appointed to confer w.th the Carpenters Comp.a have several conversations with individuals of their Company & are now impowered to offer them Sixty pounds for the present Year & make report at the

not meeting.

Philip Wager & Thomas Procter made application for a Share in the Books & Effects of Company - and it is agreed to on the usual terms

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At a Meeting of the Directors held the 11 Feb.y 1783.

Present Jos:a Hewes. Jos:a Paschall Thomas Morris.
John Nancarrow John Haighn Mord:i Lewis.
Benj.a Poultney. Rich.d Wells Thomas Parke

The Comitte on the state of the Library report, that
buisiness is now compleated & that the Librarian has
given satisfactory security to the Board.

The Comitte appointed to examine into the case of doubtful
Shares is continued & they are desired to make
a return to the next meeting of what they have done
therein.

The Comitte appointed to confer with the
Carpenters Company, report, that they have
offered them Sixty pounds p.r year; which they
have reason to believe will not be accepted
Liberty meeting of one of the Rooms
therefore the following Directors are appointed
a Comitte, view the House now in the Possession
of Robt. Bell - for the purpose of determining, if it can be made
to accomodate the Library and they are desired to form
an Estimate of the Charges which will probably attend
the Expence attending such alterations as may
be necessary - viz Thomas Morris Rich.d Wells
Benj.a Poultney.

The Secretary Reports that the Transfer
from Jane Cannon to Robert Todd is compleated.

Josiah Hewes Joseph Paschall & Thomas Parke are
appointed a Comitte to treat with the managers of the

House of Employment, in order to obtain the debt due from ~~the said house~~ them to the Library Compy.

The Carpenters Company produced an acct. ~~of~~ £36 ~~0~~ for rent ~~for one year~~ due the 1st Jan.y 1783 with the Treasurer is desired to pay ~~if this~~ agreeable to them by order of the Board given. Richd. Wells produced an acct. against the Company for 11. 19. 9 ~~and Benj.n Poultney an Acct. for 20 19. 9.~~ which the ~~Treasurer~~ is ordered to pay. an order was drawn in favour of Joseph Fawcett for Twenty Pounds. on Account

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At a Spiral Meeting of the Directors 20 Feb.y 1783

Present Jos.h Hewes Jos.h Paschall, Thomas Morris
Thomas Parke Benj.n Poultney Richd Wells
John Haighs Jn.o Nancarrow, Mord.i Lewis

A Committee of the Carpenters Company viz Gunning Bedford. Tho.s Nevill Jos.h Rakestraw & Ja.s Pearson deliv.d a notice to this Board dated the 15.th Feb.y 1783 Singned by James Pearson and Thomas Nevill of which the following is a Copy.

Gentlemen Please to take notice that agreeable to a resolution of the Carpenters Company which hath been communicated to you/. The rent of the second Story of their Hall now occupied by the Library Company is Eighty Pounds a Year Commencing the first day of January 1783 & the Directors of the Library do not agree to pay the aforesaid rent or sum of Eighty Pounds for one Year. We do hereby demand and require that the Phil.a Library Company do remove from & leave the Premises in good order at the expiration of three months from this Date

by order of the Trustees
James Pearson
Tho.s Nevell.

Phil.a Feb.y 15.th 1783.
To the Directors of the Library Company

and which the Baard accept as a legal notice

Mary Jackson Pusented to the Company a shilling coined in the Reign of Queen Elizabeth — & Jos: Paschale is desired ~~to retain the thanks of the Board~~. to thank Mrs Jackson in the name of the Boald

The Committe to view the House now in the Posession of Robert Bell not having — Compleated that business is — continued.

At a Meting of the Directors 13 March 1783

Pres.t Thomas Park, Thomas Morris, Benj.a Poultney
Richard Wells. Isaac Wharton. John Kaighn

who not being a Baard nothing was done

At a Meting of the Directors 8 apr.l 1783

Present Jos Hewes, Jos: Paschall, Thomas Morris,
Thomas Parke, John Kaighn, Isaac Wharton,

The Committe to examine into the Cases of doubtful Shares — reporting that they have not finished that business/ are continued.

The Committe to treat with the managers of the House of Employment report, that they (the managers) — have made an offer of Ground rents to the amount of twenty five pounds p.r ann: in part payment of their Bond due the Company. w.ch the Board agree to accept — & the Comitte is requested to have the same transfered to the Company, and to obtain the remainder of the Debt as soon as possible.

The Committe to View the House ~~of Robt Snow~~ now
in Posession of Rob.t Bell is continued.

Wm. Dallas appeard before this board and requested
leave to Transfer the Shar of the late Francis Jeys. dec.
(which he is now become posesed of by his marriage
with the said Jeys Widow) to Will.m Darby, who also appeared
and which was agreed to on the usual terms.

Isaac Snowden made application to purchase
a Shar in the Estate & Effects of the Company
w.ch this Board agreed to.

Marg.t James, Daughter & Admen.x to
Shar.s Isaac Connoly. ~~it appearing to this Board~~
~~it is legally authorised to transfer the same~~ it
was agreed to.

Joseph Paschall John Kaighn & Thos. Morris
appointed
~~———~~ are a Comitte to settle the accounts
of the Treasurer & Librarian & Report at a
Meeting which is agreed to be on 2.d May next.
The Sec.y is requested to advertize the ensuing
Election—

At a Meeting of the Directors 2 May 1783,
Present. Jos: Paschall. Thomas Morris Thomas
Parke, Benj.a Poultney, Jos: Howes, Isaac
Wharton, Mordecai Lewis...

The Comitte ~~to~~ on dorbtful Shares—is ~~to~~ desired
~~in the case of doubtful members~~
~~yet remaining to be finished~~ to report the circumstances
of these Shares—in order this Business may be finished—

The Committee to treat with the Managers of the House of Employment report, that the deeds for those Ground Rents mentioned at the last meeting as being ordered to be conveyed to the Company are drawn up but not executed. ——

The Committee to view the House in possession of Robt Bell, is Continued. ——

The Secty reports, that the Share of the late Francis Jays to Wm Darby is compleated. and that of the one from Mary James to Isaac Conoly are compleated ——

The Committee appointed to settle the Acct. of the Treasury & Librarian Report that the following Sums are in the Treasurs hands viz. in hard money £354. 7. 7. — in Pens: a State money £10.. in Bonds £900. and in Intrest due Yearly to the Company amo.to debt £391.. 12. 7. .. And that there is a Balle due the Librarian of £25.. 13.. 0 ——

Letter The Board drew an Order on the Treasurer in favor of the Librarian, for the Balance of £25. 13. 0 ——

At a Meeting an Election held at Carpenters Hall on the 5 may 1783 the following Gentlemen were chosen Directors viz

Josiah Hewes	Richd Wells
Joseph Paschall	John Kaighn
Thomas Morris	Benj Boultney
Thomas Parke	Isaac Wharton
Mordecai Lewis	Richard Wister
Treasurer	Samuel Sansom

1783

At a meeting of the Directors held 13 May

Present Thomas Morris Thomas Parke

Benj: Poultney. Mordecai Lewis & Isaac Wharton

John Kaighn & Richard Wistar.

This Meeting being the first in Course after the annual Election, the board proceeded to ~~the Nomination~~ consider of a proper Person to act as ~~Secretary and~~ Librarian & proposed to continue Jo. Sawcett in that Station at the former Rate of Sixty Pounds ℔ Ann. he undertaking to open the Library three afternoons in ~~the~~ each week viz. on 3. 5th & 7th. days at the Hours appointed by Minute of the 14th of May last Year, to ~~me~~ the Directors give proper Notice of each Meeting ~~to the Directors~~, clean the Rooms & do what other Services have been usual for Librarian to perform; which Proposal, he agrees to keep under Consideration till our next Meeting & then to give us a conclusive Answer. The Appointment of a Secretary is ~~laid over~~ postponed to our next Monthly Meeting.

By a Note signed Thos. Fisher, now laid before us, it appears that the Share which Wm Logan formerly possessed in the Books & Effects of the Library became at his Decease the Property of his two Sons, George & Charles Logan & his daughter, Sarah the Wife of Thos Fisher; that Geo Logan has purchased the part his brother owned, & Thos. Fisher approves of a Transfer of his part of this Share being made to the s. George Logan; if agreeable to the Directors; which being taken into Consideration meets the approbation of the board.

Sarah Lewis Widow of Jacob Lewis, her proposes to transferring her Share in the Books & Effects of the Company to John K. Mifflin, is agreed to.

The Committee appointed in the Mo. 4th of June last to settle and ~~will~~ examine into the Situation of divers Members then minuted as Delinquents & whose Cases

appeared doubtful by Reason of some Accts. they were supposed to have against the Company, is once more desired to make a full Report at our next Meeting

The Business mentioned on last monthly Meeting to be in forwardness between a Committee of this Board & the Managers of the house of Employment, remains in the same Situation as then at that time, the Committee is desired to promote a Settlement thereof as soon as possible.

Sundry Matters occurring as absolutely necessary to be considered early, & the Time not allowing of entering upon them at this Sitting with that Deliberation they appear to deserve we agree to adjourn to the Evening of tomorrow at 7 o'Clock

At an adjourned Meeting of the Directors 11th of May 1783

Present. Thomas Parke, Mordecai Lewis, Benj.a Poultney, Isaac Wharton, John Haighn, Richd Wistar & Th.s Morris

The Committee appointed in February last to examine whether the House in Tenure of Robert Bell may be so alterd as conveniently to receive the Books &c. of the Company, are continued, & if they find it is not likely to agree they are desired also to have in View the accommodating us with any other Place that may occur to them as more convenient than that which we at present occupy. ~~& also to answer the Purpose beyond that~~

Doctor Hugh Martin applying for Liberty to purchase a Share in the Books & Effects of the Library Company is approved of.

Richard Wells, Mordecai Lewis & Isaac Wharton are appointed a Committee to purchase a Bill of Exchange for £200 Sterling, which they are desired to transmit to Jos. Wood & Wm Dillwyn of the City of London with the Request of this Board to purchase for our Accot & send by earliest Opportunity the Value thereof in Books of the following Memorandum approved of the most ~~late~~ Publications since the Year 1774 except such as we are already possessed of, & Novels ~~of the Sorts~~, And

An Order was drawn on the Treasurer ~~for~~ to the Amo.
of £200 Sterling for this Purpose.
Jos. Paschall & B. Poultney who were some time ago appointed
to get a Number of Books & Newspapers bound are ~~now~~
desired to attend to that Business.

At a Meeting of the Directors 10th of June 1783. Present.

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(Copy)

Gentlemen

Knowing your Attachment to the Interests of Literature we think it unnecessary to offer any Apology for the Liberty we are about taking to trouble you with a small order for the Philadª Library. We have not rec'd any new Books since 1774 except those contained in the List herewith, we therefore shall confide entirely in your judgement to procure such for us of modern Publication as will be proper for a Public Library, and tho we would wish to mix the utile with the dulce we should not think it expedient to add to our present Stock any thing in the Novel Way

Enclosed you have Robt Ellis's Bill on Harries Hz & for £200 Sterlg which you will please to invest & ship the Books by first good Vessel, insuring the Amount

We are with much Esteem

Your assured Friends
(signed)
Richard Wells
Isaac Wharton
Mordecai Lewis

Philadª May 27. 1783

To Joseph Woods
& William Dilwyn
London

~~Last no. which they [illegible] continued~~
at a future Meeting.

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The Business mentioned on last monthly Minutes to be in forwardness between a Committee of this Board & the Managers of the house of Employment remains in

for our Accts. & send at earliest Opportunity the Value thereof in Books approved of the most Publications since the year 1774 except such as we are already possessed of, Novels, And

An Order was drawn on the Treasurer ~~for~~ to the Amo.
of £200 Sterling for this Purpose.
Jo. Parshall & B. Poultney who were some time ago appointed
to get a Number of Books & Newspapers bound are ~~now~~
desired to attend to that Business.

At a Meeting of the Directors 10th of June 1783. Present.

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Wanted

Gent. Magazine — from 1775 inclusive
Universal do — to 1784 do —
Critical Review — do — 47 Vol do —
Monthly — do — — — 52 do —

Original with 1. Bill p Capt. Hunter
Copy — " 2d. Bill p Capt. Kraay.

~~Last no. which the Committee to continue~~ to be [illegible]
at a future Meeting.

appeared doubtful by Reason of some Accts. they were supposed to have against the Company, is once more desired to make a full Report at our next Meeting

The Business mentioned on last monthly Minutes to be in forwardness between a Committee of this Board & the

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Books lately purchased —

* Philosophl Transactions — to Vol. 67 inclusive

Critical Review — to Vol. 46 d° —

London Magazine — to — 1778 — d° —

Parliamentary Register — 10 Vols

Doct. Franklin's Works —

Forests Voyages

Dr Johnsons Lives of the Poets 4 Vols

N.B. we do not wish at present to have the whole 60 Vols — have most of the Poets in their own Sets —

Stuarts View of Society

Williams on the Northern Govts

Forsters Phys. Geography & Nat. Hist.

Biographia Literaria

Carvers Travels

Gentos Laws

Additions to Pope's Works

Millots antient History

Campbells Rhetorick

Collection of Treaties

Penants Nat. Hist.

History of Sweden

North Amer. Pilot 2 Vol. fol. —

* N.B. we have the first part of N° 68

Please to send the amended Catalogue of Publications

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London with the Request of this Board to purchase for our Accts. & send by earliest Opportunity the Value thereof in Books ~~& Pamphlets~~ of the most approved ~~&~~ Publications since the Year 1774 except such as we are already possessed of, ~~except~~ Novels ~~out of the question~~, And

An Order was drawn on the Treasurer ~~for~~ to the Amo.
of £200 Sterling for this Purpose.

Jos. Paschall & B. Poultney who were some time ago appointed
to get a Number of Books & Newspapers bound are ~~now~~
desired to attend to that Business.

At a Meeting of the Directors 10th of June 1783. Present.
Josiah Hewes, Rich.d Wells, Tho.s Parke, Rich.d Wistar
Isaac Wharton, Jn.o Kaighn & Tho.s Morris & the Treasurer.

Joseph Fawcett agrees to act as Librarian for the present
on the Terms proposed to him at our Meeting last Month.

he is ~~desired~~ directed to have an advertisement ~~inserted~~ put in one of the public
Papers of the days & hours of keeping the Library open.

The Choice of a Secretary is postponed to another Meeting, as
is the final Report respecting doubtful Members.

Dr. Parke informs us that the Business ~~is now~~ in probable
with the Managers of the house of Employment ~~is likely~~ will
be brought to a Conclusion before ~~another~~ next Meeting.

The Committee appointed to seek a proper ~~Situation~~ Place for remo:
ving the Books & Effects to, is continued.

The Committee ~~appointed~~ who had the Charge of sending for £200
Sterlg. in Books - produced a Copy of the Letter sent on that
Occasion to Jos. Woods & Wm Dilwyn & the 3.d Bill of a Sett
of Exchange, drawn by Robt. Morris, on ~~Messrs~~ Messrs. Herries & Co.
of London at 30 days Sight; a Copy whereof follows —
(here insert ~~them~~ it). The

They report, that the Treasr. pd. for the above Bill three
hundred & twenty Pounds Currency. The third Bill is
committed to the Care of Mond. Lewis to be deposited with
our Treasurer.

Joseph Paschall & B. Poultney being absent, the minute of
last no. ~~which they were desired to examine~~ respecting ~~settling~~ books bound, remains ~~continued~~ to be answered
at a future Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Directors 8th of July 1783. Present,
Josiah Hewes, Jos. Paschall, Tho.s Parke, Mord.i Lewis,
John Haighn, Richard Wistar, Thos Morris & the
Treasurer.

D.r Parke
Jos. Paschall & Benj.a Poultney are appointed to Apply to
a Suitable Person to act as Clerk Secretary to this Board,
several Names being now mentioned,

The Committee who had under Care the Cases of several
Members minuted as doubtful 11th of June last Year,
now report, that Wm Jones's Share is forfeited and the others
following, viz.t James Pearson & Henry P. Pearson — are Satisfactorily settled — excepting
that of James Pearson & Henry P. Pearson — against the Arrears
due on their Shares — James Pearson has an Acco.t for work
done for the Company; and that of James Black on
which is due twelve Shillings & six pence, Wm Jones's
Share which is forfeited, Josiah Hewes & John Haighn
are again desired to bring these Matters to a Conclusion.

The Business between this Board & the Managers of the house
of Employment is nearly finished except nothing remaining but
a Matter of Form necessary to be gone into,
which when done will allow a full Minute
to be made on the Occasion so far as relates to the
said Managers; but a large Sum Appearing to be
due on Ground Rents, which they have transfer'd
to us, in Satisfaction of the debt due from them,
Mordecai Lewis is added to the Assistance of the
former Committee in obtaining Payment thereof —

The Carpenter's Company having made no Proposals
for lowering the Rent, at which they lately fixed us
makes it necessary to continue the Committee to
seek for a proper place to remove to — on more
reasonable terms.

Mord.i Lewis has deposited the 3. Bill of Exchange as
directed at last Meeting with the Treasurer.

Joseph Paschall says that the Books thought necessary
to be immediately put in Repair are put into the hands

of James Moir for that purpose, he having given a Note of hand, as Security for returning them.

The following Shares are declared 166 forfeited; the Owners having neglected to make Payment according to Law notwithstanding great Pains were taken to excite them thereto. viz.

Wm Crispin, Geo. Davis, Thos. Foxcroft, Wm Fishbourne's Estate, David Hall (Silversmith), [redacted], John Stitchett, Lewis Nicholas, Wm Parr, Wm Peters, Thomas Peters & Jos. Wharton. A book having been lost for which a Note was given by Wm Fishbourne, the Directors think it right to appoint J. Hewes to obtain a Return thereof, or insist on Payment for the Sett.

At a Meeting of the Directors 12 Aug. 1783

Present. Jos: Paschall Tho. Parke. Benj. Poultney. John Haighton & Tho Morris

who not making a Board — nothing was done

At a Meeting of the Directors Aug. 19. 1783.

Josiah Hewes, Rich. Wells, Tho. Parke, Jos. Paschall Mordecai Lewis, Benj. Poultney, Isaac Wharton & Thomas Morris were present.

Wm Sitgreaves proposing to transfer his Share in the Books & Effects of the Company to his Son Saml Sitgreaves, the Directors took the same into Consideration & agree thereto. Joseph Paschall informs us that he hath in Pursuance of an appointment made last month proposed to Saml Sitgreaves to act as Secretary to this Board, when the Transfer above mentioned is made and he agreed thereto: which meeting the concurrence of the Directors, the Committee is desired to inform him thereof, & the Librarian is desired to make a transfer of Wm Sitgreaves's Share to him — to be entered in the last Minute, before our next Meeting.

E Foreman

At a Meeting held July 11th 1780 —

Present Mess.rs Paschall, Logan Stansbury Pawling, Levis & Nanemon Wm. Sansom Treasr

A full Board not appearing no Business done —

At a Meeting held Augt. D. 1780 —

Present Messrs Howell, Stansbury Pawling Levis Morris & Logan & D. Parke

The Lib.r is desiring not to let out Books on the Shares

J Ebenezer Brooks John Price — Peter Dehaven James Ash for Sam.l Fairlamb. John Morris Jun.r Phineas Bond — Samuel Mudoak ~~notice~~ they produced Receipts from the Treasurer for their Arrears —

Jon.a Dickenson applied for Leave to purchase the Shares of Vacancies which the Board agree to on Condition that he enters a Book bound on Those Shares —

Sept.r 1780 A full Board not appg: no Business done

Oct.r 10. 1780 Same Minute

At a Meeting held Nov.r 14th 1780

Present Messrs Howell, Parke, Levis Stansbury Navarro Pawling Pascale & Morris

Sam.l Emlen Ground Landlord of the ~~Library~~ Company's Lot in Third Street agreeing to receive ~~accept~~ Thirty pounds in Specie in Lieu of ~~Six~~ Three years Rent of the said Lot ~~for the two years due to the account~~ ending the Day of next the Board accept the Proposal & an Order was drawn on the Treasurer for that Sum

Messrs Parke & Morris are appointed a Committee to wait on the ~~Messrs~~ Messrs Sam.l Rhoads & Thos. Stokemaker who have drawn on the Board for the Rent of the Lot: Appartenant to the Sum due & draw an Order on the Treasurer for as much Money as the present State of Company's Funds will bear.

Ordered that in future the Rent of Books be paid in Specie at the Rates fixed

Wm. Worn Biddle having presented the Comp.y with a Set of the Translation of the Abbé Raynal's Hist.y of the Indies & an American Tracts the Board desire D.r Parke to return the Thanks of the Board to that Gent.n —

William Tilton laid before the Board an Appointment of the Share of Sam.l Richardson to his Son Jos.h Richardson and another from him to W.m Tilton & prayed the Board that he might be admitted a Member & the Appointment recorded to which the Board agreed